

IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

_____ day _____, 20__

PRESENT: Supervisors

ABSENT:

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF APRIL 2016
AS SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS MONTH**

The following resolution is now offered and read:

Whereas, Americans are the victims of more than 20 million crimes each year, and crime can touch the lives of anyone regardless of age, national origin, race, creed, religion, gender, sexual orientation, immigration, or economic status;

Whereas, many victims face challenges in finding appropriate services, including victims with disabilities, children and teen victims, deaf and hard of hearing, LGBTQ victims, tribal victims, elder victims, victims with mental illness, and others;

Whereas, victims of repeat victimization who fail to receive supportive services are at greater risk for long-term consequences of crime;

Whereas, the victim services community has worked for decades to create an environment for victims that is safe, supportive, and effective;

Whereas, intervening early with services that support and empower victims provides a pathway to recovery from crime and abuse;

Whereas, honoring the rights of victims, including the right to be heard and to be treated with fairness, dignity, and respect, and working to meet their needs rebuilds their trust in the criminal justice and social services systems;

Whereas, serving victims and rebuilding their trust restores hope to victims and survivors, as well as their communities;

Whereas, the San Luis Obispo County District Attorney's Victim/Witness Assistance Center is hereby dedicated to serving victims, building trust, and restoring hope for justice and healing;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Luis Obispo, State of California, as follows: That the County proclaims the month of April 2016 as "San Luis Obispo County Crime Victims' Rights Month" and in doing so, reaffirms our commitment to respect and enforce victims' rights and address their needs this month and throughout the year.

Upon motion of Supervisor _____, seconded by Supervisor _____, and on the following roll call vote, to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINING:

the foregoing resolution is hereby adopted.

Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

[SEAL]

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL EFFECT:

RITA L. NEAL
County Counsel

By: Sharon G. Matuszewicz
Deputy County Counsel

Dated: March 28, 2016

STATE OF CALIFORNIA,)
) ss.
County of San Luis Obispo,)

I, _____, County Clerk and ex-officio Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, in and for the County of San Luis Obispo, State of California, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a full, true and correct copy of an order made by the Board of Supervisors, as the same appears spread upon their minute book.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of said Board of Supervisors, affixed this _____ day of _____, 20____

County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Board
of Supervisors

(SEAL)

By _____ Deputy Clerk.